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**Amendments to the Specification:**

For the convenience of the examiner, the paragraph reference numbers used below are those used in the publication of this application, patent publication US 2005/0056298.

The following formatting of using ~~strikcout~~ for singaling removal of underlined passages, then adding non-underlined replacement passages signaled with standard underlining was suggested by the USPTO technical section as an appropriate format.

In the line immediately preceding paragraph [0001], please remove the underlining by replacing the underlined "BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION" paragraph with identical but non-underlined text:

BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

In paragraph [0001] please remove the underlining by replacing the underlined "Field of the Invention" paragraph and replace it with the identical non-underlined text:

Field of the Invention Field of the Invention

In paragraph [0005] please remove the underlining by replacing the underlined "Description of the Prior Art" paragraph and replace it with the identical non-underlined and title case text:

DESCRIPTION OF THE PRIOR ART Description of the Prior Art

Please replace paragraph [0009] with the following amended paragraph:

U.S. Pat. No. 6,397,587 6,397,857 to Neary entitled Hair Accessory teaches a hair accessory for women's hair. The hair accessory includes an elongated rectangular shaped elastic strap having an inner elongated surface foldable back on itself so as to form a P-shaped hook in cross section and an outer elongated surface to which a series of headed strings are attached.

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In the line immediately preceding paragraph [0018] please remove the underlining by replacing the underlined "SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION" and replace it with the identical non-underlined text:

SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION **SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION**

In the line immediately preceding paragraph [0018] please remove the underlining by replacing the underlined "BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS" and replace it with the identical non-underlined text:

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS **BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS**

In the line immediately preceding paragraph [0055] please remove the underlining by replacing the underlined "DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION" and replace it with the identical non-underlined text:

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION **DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION**

In the first line of the claims section (found in the original application only) please remove the underlining by replacing the underlined "I CLAIM" and replace it with the identical non-underlined text, in Title case:

I CLAIM **I Claim**